IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE R.BASANT

THURSDAY, THE 18TH OCTOBER 2007 / 26TH ASWINA 1929

Bail Appl..No. 6313 of 2007()

CRLMC.595/2007 of ADDITIONAL DISTRICT COURT (ADHOC), MANJERI
CRLMC.627/2007 of ADDL.DISTRICT COURT (ADHOC)-II, MANJERI
CRIME NO.259/07 OF KONDOTTY POLICE STATION

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PETITIONERS/ACCUSED NOS 4 & 10

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1. VIPIN VENUGOPALAN,S/O. VENUGOPALAN,
   THEKKEVEETTIL HOUSE,
   MURINGOOR,CHALAKUDY,THRISSUR (DT)

2. K.D.THOMAS @ VIBIN THOMAS
   S/O.DEVASSI,
   KANNAMPUZHA HOUSE, MURINGOOR
   CHALAKUDY, THRISSUR (DT)

BY ADV. SMT.K.V.BHADRA KUMARI

RESPONDENTS: COMPLAINANT

STATE OF KERALA,
REPRESENTED BY PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT OF KERALA.

BY PUBLIC PROSECUTOR SRI.P.G. THAMPI.

THIS BAIL APPLICATION HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 18/10/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY PASSED THE FOLLOWING:

R. BASANT, J.

B.A. No. 6313 OF 2007

Dated this the 18th day of October, 2007

ORDER

Application for regular bail. The petitioners face allegations for offences punishable, inter alia, under Secs.120B and 395 of the IPC. Altogether, there are 11 accused persons. The alleged incident took place on 23/3/07. The petitioners had come earlier before this Court for anticipatory bail and by order dated 20/7/07 in B.A.No.3371/07, this Court had dismissed their application for anticipatory bail. Certain objections were made in the said order in pursuance of which a Special Investigation Team has been constituted to conduct the investigation in this crime. The petitioners were arrested later on 6/8/07. They continue in custody from that date.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioners prays, the learned Public Prosecutor does not oppose the said prayer and

I am satisfied that the petitioners, who have remained in custody from 6/8/07, can now be enlarged on bail subject to appropriate terms and conditions. The learned Public Prosecutor submits that the investigation is almost complete, though two of the 11 accused persons still remain to be arrested.

3. In the result:

(a) The application is allowed.

(b) The petitioners shall be released on bail on the following terms and conditions:

(i) The petitioners shall execute bonds for Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees one lakh only) each with two solvent sureties each for the like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate.

(ii) The petitioners shall make themselves available for interrogation before the Investigating Officer on all Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays between 10 a.m. and 12 noon for a period of two months and thereafter as and when directed by the Investigating Officer in writing to do so.

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